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For: PROTEIN IMMOBILIZATION METHOD AND
QUANTIFICATION METHOD

Examiner: L. Y. B. Lum

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 18, 2008, among:

Group I Claims 1-11, drawn to method for immobilizing a protein to a solid-phase.

Group II Claim 12, drawn to a method for quantitative determination of a protein.

Group III Claim 13, drawn to a method for immunoblotting.

Group IV Claims 14-21 and 23, drawn to a method for detecting an abnormal prion protein.

Group V Claim 22, drawn to a process.

Group VI Claims 24-31, drawn to a reagent solution.

Group VII Claims 32-34, drawn to a kit.

Applicant hereby elects the Group I, Claims 1-11, drawn to method for immobilizing a protein to a solid-phase, without traverse.

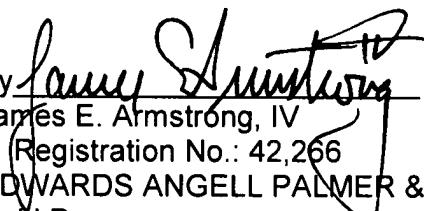
In any event, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims prior to issuance of any patent maturing from the instant application.

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